GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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CULTIVATION OF MEDICINAL PLANTS IN MAHARASHTRA
RAOSAHEB PATIL DANVE

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a centrally sponsored scheme is being implemented in Maharashtra for the development of agricultural techniques and cultivation of medicinal plants; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b): The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture isimplementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture Supplementation/Complementation of State Efforts through Work Plan under which the State Governments can take up developmental programmes as per their felt needs including cultivation of medicinal and aromatic plants. An outlay of Rs.50 lakhshas been earmarked by the Government of Maharashtra during 2002-03 in their Work Plan for development of Medicinal & Aromatic Plants in the State.The Deptt. of ISM&Hunder the Ministry of Health & FamilyWelfare has provided assistance to Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth, Rahuri and Dr. PunjabRao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola under their Central Sector Scheme for development of Agro-techniques & cultivation of medicinal Plants.